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Burlington County – Congressman John Adler today announced a \$69 million contract from the Department of Defense for Lockheed Martin Missions Systems and Sensors (LM MS2) of Moorestown, NJ. The contract makes LM MS2 the Aegis Ashore (AA) engineering agent to support the design of the AA Missile Defense Test Complex, the AA deployment sites and other critical military operations. The contract will sustain 250 local engineering jobs over the contract's two-year duration.

"This funding keeps our country safe and South Jersey households working," Congressman John Adler said. "The contract will strengthen Lockheed Martin's operations in Burlington County, and sustain private sector jobs in our area."

"The strong partnership we share with the Navy and MDA will allow us to protect inland areas just as we have at sea," said Orlando Carvalho, president, Lockheed Martin's Mission Systems & Sensors business unit. "Our team will leverage its unique combination of experience and technical expertise to continue evolving the Aegis system to meet our customers' missions."

The funding supports the design of AA Missile Defense Test Complex. The contract further supports AA deployment sites and all of its facets and allows Lockheed Martin to assist in the development of the AA Combat System requirements to include program planning and execution of operations. In addition to supporting local engineering jobs, the contract will lead to additional production jobs in the future.

Congressman Adler previously secured \$30 million for Lockheed Martin MS2 in Moorestown for improvements to Aegis Ballistic Missile Defense that will provide enhancements for more complex threats. Lockheed Martin employs approximately 2,300 people from the third district, and about 5,000 statewide.